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WHEN GOLDA MEIR SAYS NO.-Israel's dapper Prime Minister addressing the Knesset (Parliament) when she stated her country would not accept any peace diktat from any foreign powers.

Big 4 talks begin; no hope for solution

by the CJN diplomatic editor

The interest of all hoping for a settlement of the Middle East conflict is directed now towards the United Nations headquarters in New York where representatives of the Big Four powers are scheduled to convene next week for a first meeting on the Israeli-Arab problem. Israel is skeptical about the outcome of these negotiations because in Jerusalem the conviction prevails that the Soviet Union, backed by France, is interested in one "solution" only: to reopen the Suez Canal in order to link her own lines of communications between the Mediterranean, the Red Sea and the Indian Ocean.

The Soviet Union would like to achieve this purpose by some manoeuvre which would leave the Middle East issue unsolved, frozen while the Arabs claim a first victory---the Suez Canal opening---without giving anything in return, and which would make the Arabs more dependent upon Moscow.

This is why, diplomats say, President Abdel Nasser of Egypt told King Hussein of Jordan last week in Cairo not to sign any agreement with Israel. This also is the reason why Hussein, despite pressure, has not undertaken as yet to accept an Israeli proposal for a peace accommodation.

Washington is aware of this problem which is the cause of the United States' repetition that it would support only a full settlement of the Middle East problem, not the Soviet palliative.

It is reported at the United Nations that during the last two weeks Israel has strengthened immensely its bargaining card. It has proven to all interested parties that it can deal with the terrorists, that the Holy Land is not a Vietnam and that it can consolidate Hussein's position by elimination almost completely the terrorist threat.

The fact that this week King Hussein appointed his former Foreign Minister Rafi, who is pro-American and committed to a peace agreement, has proven that Hussein already feels strong enough to challenge the El Fatah and other underground groups for imposing his rule in Jordan.

The news about the Hussein-Eban contacts on peace was leaked deliberately to the New York Times this week by the Egyptian Embassy in Washington in order to undermine any chances of considering by the Big Four next week the Jordan-Israel accommodation as a beginning of peace.

In Israel, meanwhile, Menachem Begin, leader of the Herut liberal faction and its leading representative of national unity in the Government, achieved a victory at a Cabinet meeting when the majority of Ministers voted to stand by the original coalition agreement that there would be no Israeli withdrawal from any conquered territory without a contractual peace deal. In fact, all Begin's suggestions backed by Dayan were supported by Prime Minister Golda Meir.

FRANCO-ISRAELI RELATIONS

Jerusalem sceptical; wait for lifting of embargo

Paris, (JCNS) Israel will refuse to be cajoled by friendly noises from Paris, as long as General de Gaulle refuses to budge from his policy of a total embargo on arms supplies. This was made clear here after a number of contacts between French and Israeli diplomats, in the course of which Paris seemed intent on dispelling to some extent the notion that it follows a one-sided pro-Arab policy and is completely identified with Moscow on the Middle East.

The French approach to Israel came last week at a meeting in Paris between the Israeli Ambassador, Mr. Walter Eytan, and M. Herve Alphand, the director-general at the Quaid'Orsay, and a call made by the French Ambassador, M. Francis Huré, on Mr. Gideon Rafael, the director-general of Israel's Foreign Ministry, in Jerusalem.

Both meetings were intended to convince Israel that there was no absolute identity of views between Paris and Moscow on the Israel-Arab dispute, and that France, far from being set upon helping the Arabs to achieve their aims, is sincerely interested in a just solution to the Middle East conflict.

NO THREAT TO PEACE

However, France admittedly disagrees with Israel on the dangers inherent in the present situation: while Israel sees no immediate threat to peace in the area and in the world, Paris is deeply concerned with the threat of a sudden escalation and considers the finding of a solution to be a matter of the utmost urgency.

Despite their evident desire to counteract the accusation of one-sidedness, the French intimated that Paris continues to regard firm joint action by the Great Powers to induce the parties to agree to a compromise settlement as the only way forward.

Israel sees this as evidence that France is still striving for an imposed settlement, which Jerusalem rejects with the utmost determination. Two minor amendments in the French plan, suggesting negotiations between Israel and the Arab States on some minor points, have failed to impress Israel.

FRANCE ADMITS BORDER CHANGES

The French still insist on the need for Israel to retreat to the armistice lines of June 4, 1967, though they now admit the possibility of border rectifications to be negotiated between the parties. In fact, such rectifications have been agreed as necessary even by the Russians.

Another amendment concerns Jerusalem and Gaza. The French now say that the future status of the capital and the Strip should be the subject of separate negotiations and these areas should no longer be included in the timetable for a general evacuation of all occupied territories. Freedom of passage for Israeli ships in the Straits of Tiran and in the Suez Canal should be ensured in a separate agreement.

The "Big Four" would guarantee implementation of all these agreements, which would also put an end to belligerency and accord recognition to all the States in the area.

TRY TO IMPRESS NIXON

Israel is unable to see any substantial difference between the Soviet plan and the French plan, as amended, except possibly in formulation. Nor is Israel willing to credit Paris with the real intention of seeking to improve relations between France and Jerusalem.

The fact, as seen here, is that France fears Israel still to be in a position to influence not only Washington, but, to a lesser degree, London, too. By making Israel's rejection of the French plan less clear-cut and determined, Paris appears to be trying to press her case with President Nixon and with Mr. Harold Wilson.

The French démarches here have ended in complete failure. Not only is Israel as determined as ever to oppose any "peace initiative" coming from Paris; she is also more confident than ever that she can do so effectively and successfully.

"Search, Destroy"

EFFECTIVE ISRAEL POLICY HITS TERROR

Haifa, (JCNS) Israel's new policy for combating terrorism substitutes preventive raids on their bases for retaliatory attacks. In a series of operations against El Fatah bases in Jordan on Sunday and Monday, Israeli jets caught the terrorists still in their beds and wrought havoc among men and equipment.

Military experts here say that these dawn attacks have already created an atmosphere of perpetual anxiety and uncertainty among the terrorists, who never know where the next blow will fall and whose lines of communication have been hard hit.

Israel is now seen as having ended her long-standing policy of counter-strikes and retaliation, which left the initiative and the timing in the terrorists' hands and enabled them to guess the time and direction of Israel's reaction.

Instead, Israel has adopted the "search and destroy" tactics used by the Americans in Vietnam, which give the enemy no respite and hit him hard in his home base before he can organise for attack.

This week's massive air attacks are pre-emptive operations. They have hit near and far from the border, reaching to the outskirts of Amman, the Jordanian capital. But, despite quick successes, military circles in Israel do not see them as the final answer to Arab terror. El Fatah, it is thought, will now try to counter this aerial offensive with better camouflage and by digging in.

However, it is hoped that the initial success will, temporarily at least, throw the terrorists into confusion and paralyse their operations.

JARRING QUITS?

Jerusalem (JCNS) - Gunnar Jarring, United States envoy in the Middle East, is likely to return soon to Moscow to resume his post as Swedish Ambassador to the Soviet Union, according to well informed circles here. However, the envoy will not give up his U.N. mission but will invite Israelis and Arabs to meet him at an agreed locality whenever the need for such meetings arises.

Meanwhile Jarring arrived last Friday in Beirut, his first visit to the Lebanese capital since his return to Cyprus recently.

Israeli officials indicate that during Jarring's discussions last week with Abba Eban, the Foreign Minister, and with Yigal Allon, he did not divulge the details of his future plans. It is not yet clear when Jarring again will see the parties in the Middle East dispute but he is reported to have said he no longer was willing to serve as "postman" between the sides involved after concluding that the pattern of talks he has been conducting in the past few weeks had proved ineffective.

Commentating - by M. J. Nurenberger

NIXON-TRUDEAU

The first personal contact this week between the United States President and the Prime Minister of Canada is of historic importance. For the first time the two leaders have discussed topics which deeply divide the governments they head. There is no reason for camouflaging in diplomatic garb the differences of opinion between Ottawa and Washington on many issues, first on China and NATO. Also there may be, to a lesser degree, a difference in approach to the Middle East between Mr. Trudeau and Mr. Nixon.

However I believe these talks may help promote not only a better understanding between the two nations of this continent - bound together by common traditions and linked by destiny into a geographical unit - but will strengthen North America as a whole.

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It seems to me that Canada's position on Red China is more realistic than that of the United States. Not recognizing a nation which consists of about 900 million people is as Ostrich-like as the Arab attitude towards Israel.

Recognizing a government de jure does not mean an international law's accepting that government's philosophy or agreeing to its policy. Many nations that recognize each other are in conflict over basic issues.

In the case of China, I believe it is the Soviet Union that wishes to keep the United States so far away from China as possible. Should the United States recognize Peking, Washington would have more room for manouverability than at present.

I am sure Canada's move in the direction of China indirectly will bring Washington and Peking closer and terminate Russia's reputation as the spokesman for China's right to belong to the community of nations.

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On the other hand, the lack of enthusiasm in Canada for continuing the association with NATO is just as unrealistic. Whether we like it or not, Canada is tied to the United States in its defense. A neutrality of Canada vis-a-vis NATO would be so blind as that of Belgium prior to both World Wars. It did not help Belgium; it would not save Canada.

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Concerning the Middle East, the Canadian Government has shown publicly, under both Conservative and Liberal regimes, its understanding for Israel's position.

It is hoped Mr. Trudeau has explained to Mr. Nixon that any concession on the part of the United States to Russia at the expense of Israel would not help promote peace but strengthen the intransigence of Arab extremists.

If nations want peace, they must sit together and talk about it. This holds true for the great powers -- China, Russia and the United States. It is not less so among the smallest of them.

MONTREAL'S SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR.-Charles R. Bronfman, philanthropist and financier, who was selected Sportsman of the Year by Montreal's B'nai B'rith Sports Lodge. (Story on page 7)

Political scene in Israel

VICTORY FOR BEGIN

by JCNS correspondent I. Neumann, Tel Aviv

Before Mrs. Golda Meir was able to present her Cabinet to the Knesset, there were some prolonged and difficult negotiations with the coalition partners and, at times, tempers ran high.

The compromise finally reached satisfied all parties, but can be seen as a substantial success for Herut; the Liberals' partner in Gahal. The major questions concerned the Government's attitude to the problem of settling the occupied territories and also of maintaining the present ceasefire lines until they are replaced by (not necessarily different) permanent and recognised borders.

On practically all controversial points, Mr. Menahem Begin, the Gahal leader, obtained substantial satisfaction. A question much debated was whether the fundamental programme should reject any change in the ceasefire lines "as long as" there is no agreed and formally signed peace, or if this refusal to retreat should be stated as a consequence of the Arab refusal to negotiate.

This seemingly minor linguistic difference is an important one: the "as long as" formula, adopted by the Knesset in August, 1967, indicates a willingness to evacuate occupied territories if and when an agreement becomes possible. The other formulation simply states Israel's intention to stand on the present lines and refrains from indicating a consequent change of border should the circumstances change.

It was Mr. Begin's formulation which was accepted. This simply states that, in the absence of a peace agreement, Israel continues fully to maintain the situation as established by the ceasefire and will continue to reinforce her position according to her vital needs.

The need for action to settle the occupied territories is implicitly intimated, but Mr. Begin, Minister of State (without Portfolio), demanded that Mrs. Meir, in her Knesset speech, should expressly insist on the need for new settlements.

The Labour and Mapam representatives were not opposed to this in principle, but preferred that this politically delicate matter should be the subject of energetic action in the areas concerned, but without publicity.

The inter-party committee decided to request Mrs. Meir to allude to the problem of settling the territories as a matter of vital importance, but to leave her the freedom of formulating this in her own way.

Another demand pressed by Mr. Begin concerned the terms which Mrs. Meir was to use when speaking about the territories. The description "occupied territories" is almost generally resented in Israel and is no longer in use in official communiqués. The words "administered territories" have been substituted, with the nationalist preference for "liberated territories" fast gaining ground.

Mr. Begin demanded that the Prime Minister's speech should reflect the conviction that the territories concerned are part of the "liberated national patrimony." On this point, too, Mr. Begin was promised satisfaction.

Despite this substantial success, Herut and the Liberals will not formally join the coalition. Unlike the other parties to the coalition agreement, they will maintain their liberty to vote in the Knesset on all issues which are not connected with policy, security, the Budget or confidence, as they choose.

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SEDER

Beth El Religious and Hebrew Schools will hold the annual Passover Seder this Sunday morning. Rabbi B. Silverblatt will officiate. Sisterhood will serve as hostesses.

LECTURE

This Sunday evening the Adult Education Committee of Beth El will present a lecture by Tassir Nashif, an Israeli Arab, who will speak on present day Arab-Israeli relations within Israel.

DEDICATION

Dedication of the new sanctuary of Beth Jacob Synagogue will begin on May 30th and culminate with an evening banquet on June 8th. The Synagogue also is known as the Polish Shul, organized about sixty-five years ago.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Last Sunday Brotherhood of Shaarei Tefillah held a breakfast meeting. Rabbi Sholom Gold of Ner Israel Yeshiva and B'nai Torah Congregation spoke on: Reflections on the Passover Hagadah.

BREAKFAST MEET

Beth Torah Men's Club will hold a breakfast meeting this Sunday morning. Max Goody will be guest speaker.

BULLETINS

GOVERNMENT SELLS 26 PER CENT SHARE

Jerusalem (JCNS) - The Israeli Government has decided to sell its 26 per cent share in the Haifa Refineries to the Israel Holding Company - a firm established after last year's Economic Conference to channel world Jewry's investments in Israel.

The company will pay 30 million Israeli pounds (about $10 million) cash and negotiate the balance within six months.

The Holding Company, which is headed by Signor Astorre Meyer, of Milan, and Sir Sigmund Warburg, of Britain, will have a blocking vote.

The Government needs the money to finance other refineries at Ashdod which will cost hundreds of millions of Israeli pound.

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FRIEND OF ISRAEL ELECTED

Tel Aviv (JCNS) The election of Dr. Gustav Heinemann 69-year-old West German Minister of Justice, as first Social Democrat President of the German Federal Republic, was received in Israel with deep satisfaction.

The new President expressed his support for Israel during a recent visit to the Jewish State where he is admired as a real anti-Nazi and a staunch opponent of the statute of limitation on Nazi crimes.

Dr. Heinemann defeated in a close contest Dr. Gerhard Schroder, the Christian Democrat Defense Minister, who has been known in the past to hold anti-Israel feelings.

GERMAN JEWS WELCOME DR. HEINEMANN'S ELECTION AS STATE PRESIDENT

Bonn (JCNS) - Jewish and democratic circles in West Germany welcomed the election of Dr. Gustav Heinemann, the 69-year-old Federal Minister of Justice, and a leading Social Democratic jurist, as President.

Dr. Heinemann, who will take office in July, has been a friend of Israel and of the victims of Nazi persecution and he has incurred the hatred of neo-Nazi supporters and of "Deutsche National-Zeitung", and the extremist weekly, in particular, by his pro-Jewish attitude and his initiative for the abolition of the statute of limitation for Nazi crimes of murder.

As a member of the Evangelical Church, he was an active supporter of the anti-Hitler movement during the Nazi regime. He occupied leading lay positions in the Church between 1928 and 1949 when he was the mining director of the Rhenish Steel Works in Essen.

In 1946, Dr. Heinemann was elected chief burgomaster of the city; in 1947 he was appointed Minister of Justice in North Rhine-Westphalia; and in 1949, Dr. Adenauer, the Chancellor, picked him as his first Minister of the Interior.

But a year later Dr. Heinemann resigned because he was opposed to Dr. Adenauer's rearmament policy, and leaving the Christian Democratic Union in 1952, he formed his own All-German People's Party.

This was dissolved in 1957 and, like most of its members, Dr. Heinemann joined the Social Democrats. He was appointed Federal Minister of Justice in 1966.

Dr. Heinemann defeated Dr. Gerhard Schroeder, the Federal Defence Minister, in a close contest in West Berlin. Christian Democratic and Christian Social Union members of the electoral college cast their votes for Dr. Schroeder as well as the 22 National Democratic electors represented in the National Assembly.

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DIMONA CELEBRATES TWINNING PACT WITH FRENCH TOWN

Dimona (JCNS).- While the world press was paying more attention to Dimona last week than this town, the home of Israel's main nuclear reactor, usually cares for, local attention was focussed elsewhere - on the grand celebrations marking the twinning of Dimona with the French provincial town of Saint-Amand-les-Eaux.

Here for the celebrations were the Mayor of Saint-Amand, M. Georges Donnez, heading a party of 150 French tourists in Israel to see the Holy Places: "Jo-jo", a popular French television personality; the French Ambassador and Madame Hure; and Israel's Foreign Minister, Mr. Abba Eban, who came as he said, "to bless this private Franco-Israeli frindship pact".

The "twinning" decision was taken two years ago, and there have been close relations ever since between this desert township and pastoral Saint-Amand, which has not even one Jewish citizen. Dimona's Mayor, Mr. Gaby Sabbag, has already been royally received by M. Donnez in Saint-Amand.

The occasion, naturally, did not pass without the speakers from both sides making the obvious allusions to the paradox between the celebration and the official French line on Israel.

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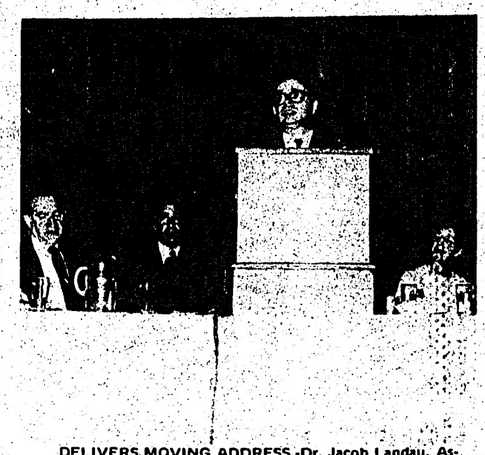
GOLAN HEIGHTS VEGETABLES FOR EUROPE

Haifa (JCNS).- The first winter vegetables grown by Nahal settlements in the southern Golan Heights were exported to Europe last week.

Nahal is the army's soldier-farmer organization.



DELIVERS MOVING ADDRESS.-Dr. Jacob Landau, Associate Professor of Political Science at Hebrew U., seen addressing a capacity audience at Toronto's Beth Tzedec Synagogue recently, speaking on: Israel's Arab Community, Problems and Perspective. The meeting took place under the auspices of the Toronto Chapter, Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University.

To the left of Dr. Landau are David E. Newman, Q.C., cochairman of the Chapter's program committee, and Dr. Ralph Halbert, Chapter president; Mrs. Jacob J. Goldstein, program cochairman (right).

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Rabbi Shimon Lazaroff is executive director of Camp Gan Israel.

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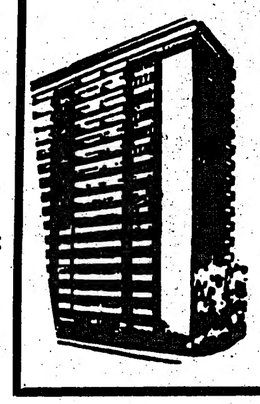

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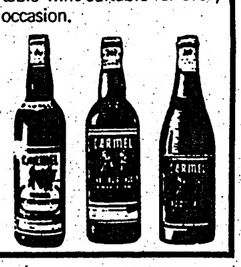

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GOLDA MEIR

Tel Aviv.- A few weeks ago Pinchas Sapir had raised the point that if the late Levi Eshkol were not able to continue his job (he was almost the only one who knew about the condition of the late Premier's health), Golda Meir should be made Premiere.

Golda declared a few months ago she would not stand as candidate for the next Knewsset elections. She wished to be a free person, to get up in the morning without looking at her timetable, be able to go to concerts more often, read books and visit frequently her daughter, at the kibbutz. But the death of Levi Eshkol and the political situation in Israel after the Six Day War compelled her to return to political life and accept the premiership.

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Golda did not want an internal fight in the Party for the premiership between Moshe Dayan and Yigal Allon both young leaders and generals. She is categorically opposed to Moshe Dayan becoming Prime Minister. She and the older leader of Mapai know well that if he becomes Premiere he will effect a "purge" among the old Party leaders.

She does not want young people and generals to lead the country. Also other parties like the National Religious Party and Independent Liberals support Dayan as Defense Minister but are against his becoming Premier.

Golda Meir is not like the late Levi Eshkol who swallowed many bitter pills of criticism in the press and public without reaction. She answers criticism immediately. She led a bitter campaign against Ben Gurion when he attacked the late Eshkol. On the eve of the Six Day War, when women demonstrated against her in front of the Mapai House on Hayarkon Street, demanding that Moshe Dayan be appointed Minister of Defense, she left the house unguarded.

Lately she has been attacking Moshe Dayan because he does not interfere with the collection of signatures in the streets for himself as Premier of Israel. Moshe Dayan knows well that in future he will have to consult Golda in each security matter. As Minister and Party leader he will have to renounce any intentions to form a bloc with the Liberal Parties for the elections. This will interfere with the plans of Menachem Begin and Josef Sapir, who hoped to be able to create a National Liberal bloc as an alternative to the rule of the Labor Party.

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The newspaper Ha'aretz, which supports Moshe Dayan as Prime Minister, has become pessimistic about this project. It demands from Dayan a clearcut decision along this line. One cannot be a member of the Party and represent it in the Government yet have illusions about changes in the Party leadership and the Premiership after the Knesset elections. Ha'aretz thinks that the former Rafi leader too will remain after the elections without influence in the Party and it should, therefore, determine now on its political future. If it decides to remain part of the Labor Party, it should cease making trouble in the Party. Moshe Dayan must compromise with the situation in the Party and cooperate with Mapam. But if he and his colleagues have reached the decision that they have no chance for cooperation in the Labor Party, now is the time to leave the Party, as Pinchas Sapir has become its leader.

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In a meeting of the Labor Party leadership, Moshe Dayan has declared he does not think himself as one of the Party leaders with equal rights. He is considered by the Party leaders as a man who tries to win the masses in the streets, to organize a "revolutionary outbreak", etc. He is ready to open a new page in party relations.

The General Secretary of the Labor Party said he was ready to accept Dayan's "peace proposal" and expressed hope that from now on Dayan would cooperate with the Party leaders and Ministers. First of all he must stop the public campaign under the motto, Dayan for Premiership, in the streets, cafes, discotheques and elsewhere. Such campaigns are not democratic and moral nor are they suitable for a leader of the Labor Party.

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Several times this week I visited Minister Pinchas Sapir in Kfar Saba. He was busy paving the way for forming the new Government without personal changes. He impressed upon the leaders of several parties that they ought to accept the premiership of Golda Meir. He proved to be one of the most able politicians in Israel. If Yigal Allon proposed Golda Meir for the premiership, it was also his job. This proposal and the support of the Party leaders of Haifa, Aba Khoushi and Josef Almogi for Golda Meir, have foiled the plans of the former Rafi leaders to propose Moshe Dayan as candidate for the premiership.

Sapir scored a victory in the Central Committee of the Labor Party when 86 percent of the members (287 dele-

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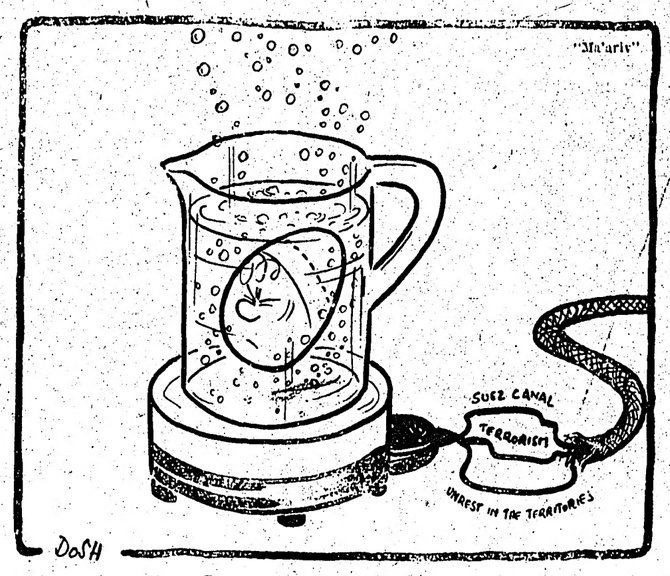

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ASK THE RABBI
a JCHS featurette

Q. Why do Orthodox Jews not write out God's name in full?

A. For some reason the practice of writing "God" has become more popular in recent years, not alone among Orthodox Jews. Rabbi Freehof in his Reform Responsa has a question addressed to him on this subject and he observes that a number of Reform Jews, too, have adopted the habit of writing God's name in this way. In the book of Deuteronomy we read: "You must destroy all the sites at which the nations you are to dispossess worshipped their gods . . . obliterating their names from that site. But you must not do likewise to the Lord your God" (Deuteronomy 12, 2-4). From this the rabbis derive the rule that it is forbidden to erase any of the Divine names and for this reason care is to be taken not to write a Divine name if later it might be erased. However, most authorities hold that this only applies to Hebrew names written in Hebrew characters. The renowned authority R. Shabbetai b Meir (1621-1662) states explicitly that it is permitted even to erase a name such as "God" written in non-Hebrew characters (Shakh to Yoreh Deah 179, 11) let alone to write it. It has long been the practice among Orthodox Jews writing in English to write out "God" in full so that those who now write the word with a hyphen are being overpietistic. Excessive scrupulosity in such matters is generally frowned upon by Rabbinic opinion as priggishness (yohara).

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Q. Is it allowed to take a child in a pram to the synagogue or anywhere else on Sabbath?

A. Reform Jews and for that matter many Orthodox evidently see no harm in taking a child out in a pram on the Sabbath. But according to strict Orthodoxy this is not allowed on the grounds that to push a pram along is to offend against the rule which prohibits "carrying" in the public domain. Rabbi S. Wagschal in his book: Care of Children on the Sabbath, writes: "With regard to the question as to whether it is permitted to ask a non-Jew to take a baby out in a pram, this should be decided in each case by the rabbi of the town."

RELIGION IN SCHOOLS

A NEW ONTARIO

The tabling of the Keiller Mackay report on reglions education in public schools in the Ontario legislature opens a new chapter in the cultural progress of Ontario. It also may be the beginning of an era of better understanding among all citizens irrespective of their religious conviction.

The fact that the teaching of one religion no more will be imposed upon children of various faiths is a step forward. Nor is it a move in the direction of eliminating religious instruction. Quite to the contrary, it may arouse more interest in the study of other faiths and, last but not least, the end of religious indoctrination will spell the beginning of an epoch of more tolerance.

The recommendations of the committee are not quite clear although the basic idea of putting an end to religious coercion by teaching one religion in public schools should be welcomed by all. Furthermore we do not believe a course in comparative religion, whatever it means, is necessary.

Religious beliefs are interpreted in various manner by different people. Therefore a study in comparative religion on university level could be of greater use than in public school.

If we are to live together, we must accept the fact of differences in religion. Those differences cannot be, and should not be, eliminated by a potpouri of many faiths but by leaving to each community of faith the task of instructing its children in its respective religion.

There are many Christian sects; there are two major Christian religions; there is the Jewish religion; there are non-believers whose convictions also deserve full respect in a democratic society. Thus, when the legislature of Ontario considers the report on religion in schools, it should remember that the principle remains: worshipping separately but living and building a society together.

Poland's moral disaster

by Nicholas Bethell

ANTISEMITIC PANGS

"A complicated year", "a difficult year", "a tragic year", "a disastrous year", Ask any Pole how he looks back on Poland during 1968 and the answer will vary only in the carefully chosen adjective that accompanies the frown and the worried shake of the head. Now that Poland is coming slowly back to normal most Poles, in or out of government, are prepared to admit that during 1968 their country went way off the rails. So often the victim of assault and injury from without, Poland now has to face the fact that in 1968 she suffered a moral disaster, and to make matters worse, one which was self-inflicted.

The anti-Zionist campaign is at last coming to an end. Half the Jews of Poland have left their country for ever, deprived of their Polish citizenship. Those who remain find that the harassment to which they were subjected during 1968 - questions about possible Zionist connections, requests to sign anti-Israel proclamations with refusal resulting in demotion or dismissal - is now dying out.

A member of the party leadership told me last month that "not all the manifestations of the anti-Zionism campaign were supported by Wladyslaw Gomulka". I pressed him to be more specific, and he mentioned two pieces of writing which "did not represent party policy": the virulent article by Andrzej Werblan in last June's Literary Monthly, and the books of Tadeusz Walichnowski which, under such titles as Israeli Aggression, or Israel, West Germany and Poland or The Mechanics of Zionist Propaganda, sought to convince the Polish people that there was a Jewish fifth column in their midst. Government spokesmen are prepared to admit that in 1968 mistakes were made.

Jerzy Zawiejski, the Catholic M.P. who resigned from the Council of State last spring after criticizing the dispersal by force of student protesters, said: "Things are now almost back to normal. All but a dozen or so of the arrested students have been released. Tempers ran high last April and Zenon Kliszko, Gomulka's right hand, said that a man with my views placed himself 'outside the people'. After that there was nothing I could do but resign from the Council of State." Mr. Zawiejski is still an M.P. and a member of the committees on health and culture. Recent months have calmed the atmosphere in Parliament and the clash of personalities is not so deafening as it was.

WRITERS EXPELLED

Unlike many of those who protested against Government policy last spring, Mr. Zawiejski's writings (he is a professional author) are not banned from print. But writers as a group have been crushed by recent events. In the last two years 50 members of the Writers' Union have either left or been expelled from the party. There is a lengthy list of prominent writers, many of whom were active in bringing Gomulka to power in 1956, who now have the greatest difficulty in getting their work printed. Jerzy Andrzejewski, Adam Wazyk, Gustav Gottesman, Pawel Jasienica, Wiktor Woroszylski, Antoni Slonimski - these are only a few of the writers thus penalized.

Other cultural figures, especially those of Jewish origin, have emigrated and are lost to Poland for ever. It seems to be Gomulka's view that these men are a vocal minority threatening Poland's stability by their irresponsible politicizing, that they enjoy little support among Poland's working class or peasants, and that they must therefore be suppressed in the national interest. In spite of all their difficulties not even Gomulka's bitterest opponents deny his conviction that what he is doing is right for Poland. They call Gomulka wrong, misguided, disastrous, narrow-minded, and stupid -- but never dishonest.

This, of course, does not mean that Gomulka does not employ political tactics or manoeuvres to further what he believes is right. Last year, as well as student riots, Zionist "infiltration", and Czechoslovak "revisionism" he had to contend with a definite challenge to his power from the supporters of Mieczyslaw Moczar, who controlled the security police network.

Moczar's men did not attack Gomulka personally. They used the classic communist technique of attempting to undermine him by attacking his known favorites, men like Mieczyslaw Rakowski, the editor of the ideological weekly Polityka, and Artur Starewicz, a member of the party secretariat who helps compose many of Gomulka's speeches. Conversations with party men in Warsaw last month have convinced me that there was never any question of Gomulka's removal from the office of First Secretary. His reputation and authority were necessary even to his political opponents. What they wanted was to seize some or most of his power, to leave him in office as a figurehead until the next Party Congress in 1972 when, I am told, he will probably retire.

OPENLY CRITICAL

During last November's Party Congress, supporters of Mr. Moczar tried to persuade delegates to cross out three names in the Central Committee membership ballot: Artur Starewicz, Eugeniusz Szyr, and Stefan Jedrychowski. Szyr and Starewicz are of Jewish origin, and to have removed them would have been to imply that Gomulka was "soft" on the Zionists, that there were still too many Jews in high party office. Jedrychowski was attacked as the embodiment of Gomulka's economic and personnel policies. Many Polish communists feel that Gomulka is too conservative in his choice of key officials. Once appointed to some top job, a Polish official tends to stay there indefinitely, past the normal age of retirement. The fact that many such officials were of Jewish origin merely clouds the various issues raised by Gomulka's challengers.

Gomulka's three men were reelected to the Central Committee, but only just. Of the 91 candidates elected they filled the last three places. Of 1,693 delegate votes, Z Of 1,693 delegate votes, Szyr received 1,003, Starewicz 1,058, and Jedrychowski 1,076. This means that more than 600 delegates crossed out the three symbolic names on the ballot paper. Only seven delegates crossed out Gomulka's name. (These figures were given to me in conversation by a member of the Central Committee.)

The Congress was a victory for Gomulka, but it is significant that his opponents knowing that the vote would go against them, were still prepared to stand up and be counted. They are still prepared to be openly critical of decisions made by the party's ruling group.

I spoke to Czeslaw Pilichowski, one of the deputies of Stanislaw Walczak, Minister of Justice, and responsible for the continuing investigation of Nazi crimes in Poland during the last war. He was bitter about what he called "the dirty anti-Polish campaign carried on by certain Zionist circles in the west". His department had documentary evidence of a Jewish-manned "13th Department" which collaborated with the Nazis and the Gestapo, he said, and "when the time is ripe we shall publish full details of their activities".

I asked him if he had read the anti-Zionist books of Tadeusz Walichnowski, or the articles in the press by Ryszard Gontarz. These two policemen-journalists, recently dismissed from the security service and discredited, were the most active anti-Zionist propagandists of last year. "I have read Walichnowski's books," Mr. Pilichowski said. Then to my amazement, he added: "I think they are very good indeed."

"Surely Walichnowski is now dismissed?" I asked him. He shrugged. "Maybe. I don't know." I pointed out that his admiration for Walichnowski apparently was not shared by leading members of the Polish Government. "So what?" he replied. "I'm entitled to my own opinion, aren't I? This is a free country!" An opposition which can afford to be so open cannot be as weak as all that.

Talking to Poles about the invasion of Czechoslovakia is still a sad, infuriating exercise. The leadership line - that the Czechoslovak Government had lost control, that the country was being

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BOOKS OF THE WEEK

by Dr. Arnold Ages

PORTNOY SENSATION

PORTNOY'S COMPLAINT
by Philip Roth
Random House 274 pp.

"Without an element of the obscene," wrote Havelock Ellis, "there can be no true and deep aesthetic or moral conception of life." Philip Roth appears to have heeded Ellis's advice in his latest novel which is, at the same time, a panegyric to lust and a condemnation of bourgeois Jewish values. Combining these two winning elements apparently has paid off handsomely for author Roth who has received to date three quarters of a million dollars in advance royalties and residual rights. Roth is now the darling of the American press. (Time, Newsweek and Life have all done feature articles on him. No less a personage than Granville Hicks, the dean of American letters, has praised Portnoy's Complaint in the prestigious pages of the Saturday Review.)

Without belaboring the clinical details, I should like to state the theme of Roth's story. Alexander Portnoy, an Assistant Human Rights Commissioner for New York, is telling his psychiatrist the problems of a Jewish boy suffocated by the attentions of his mother. The woman is so protective and at the same time so demanding of her son that the only release he can find from her obsessive grip grip is to become a sexual gymnist.

In his adult years Portnoy carries on his infantile rebellion against his mother by becoming involved in the most sordid sensual relationships available. Yet despite his adventures with a variety of women Portnoy never really finds fulfillment or satisfaction. The sense of moral rectitude which he acquired from his mother will not permit him to enjoy the delights and dreams of his childhood years.

Philip Roth's book is full of scatalogical language and he leaves nothing to the imagination in his description of various sexual activities. In many ways it's a pity because many will be repelled by the author's brutal frankness and will fail to grasp the real import of his message.

Roth's story is good in spite of his obscenity. I was genuinely amused by his description of the prototype of the successful Jewish boy, the surgeon. In a parody of what a Jewish mother might tell her son, Roth recounts how Seymour (ostensibly a childhood friend of Portnoy) is now the biggest brain surgeon in the western hemisphere. He owns six different ranch type houses and two daughters already are under contract to Metro. "He took them all to Europe for an eighty million dollar tour of seven thousand countries, some of them you never heard of, that they made just to honor Seymour, and on top of that, he's so important, that in every single city he was asked by the mayor himself to do an impossible operation on a brain in hospitals they also built for him right on the spot, and - listen to this - where they pumped into the operating room during the operation the theme song from Exodus so everybody should know what his religion is - and that's how big your friend Seymour is today! And how happy he makes his parents!"

There is no doubt, however, that despite his technical excellence Roth is still one of those selfhating Jewish writers who concentrates on the most exaggerated facets of Jewish family life without being able, apparently, to find any redeeming merit in that environment. Ah, but then a book about a wholesome Jewish family would not sell.

CHECKLIST

THE ARABS IN ISRAEL
by Jacob Landau
Oxford University Press
300 pp.

An important book, incorporating the first real systematic study of Israeli Arabs. In presenting the texts of various manifestos written by Arab groups within Israel, the reader begins to admire the Jewish state even more when one considers the audacity and truculence characteristic of different Arab groups within Israel.

TWO INNOCENTS IN RED CHINA
by Jacques Hebert & Pierre Elliot Trudeau
Oxford University Press
152 pp.

It's not surprising that Prime Minister Trudeau has been encouraging this country to reconsider its China policy. This account of his trip in 1960 to China clearly puts him on the side of those sympathetic to China's readmission into the community of nations. Both he and Hebert found, in spite of the propagandistic efforts of various guides and officials, that China today has done more for its people than any previous regime. Both writers reject, moreover, the "two Chinas" theory, calling it an idea based on ignorance.

Letters to the Editor

SURVIVAL OF SWEIK

Dear Editor:

Barbara I. Pearl's review of Jaroslav Hašek's play, The Good Soldier Sweik (C.J.N. March 21), gives an excellent description of the leading character, the dogcatcher Sweik, that typical figure endowed with a strange mixture of humor and skepticism masterly covered up by almost idiotic simplicity. I only can verify the reviewer's assumption that it is no accident that both Hašek and Kafka - though in their means of expression far apart - came from the same Bohemian atmosphere of Prague, the city where a close symbiosis of Jewish, Czech and German culture produced an endless row of thinkers and artists. It was a culture of its own specific space without predecessors and hardly any legitimate continuation.

Yet, as one of those who grew up in the same cultural and political sphere - I knew both of them personally - and as an Austro-Hungarian veteran of war, therefore, in a figurative sense, Sweik's comrade-in-arms, I cannot agree with the statement that Prague was the capital of a country oppressed for centuries, where people had to fight the "law".

The Austrian monarchy was, measured with a yardstick appropriate to those times, a perfect model of a constitutional state. This fact does not mean, of course, that the numerous ethnic minorities, the Czechs in particular, had no justification to struggle against the centralistic government directed from Vienna respectively Budapest.

The "centuries old oppression", however, is a myth that served as justification for the catastrophic mistakes of the 1919 Paris Treaties leading to the destruction of the Austro-Hungarian monarchy and foundation of small ethnic states unable to defend themselves. Thus they fell victim to Nazi Germany and, in course of time, to Soviet Russia. No doubt it will be a unanimous cognizance of future generations of historians that the destruction of that bastion in the heart of the continent cleared the road of the Soviets to Middle Europe.

Nevertheless, Sweik had his raison d'être in Prague. He was no freedom fighter, he was rather a quiet revolutionary against petty bureaucracy and stupid militarism.

Sweik survived the "centuries old oppression" by Austria. Yet, will he survive the new oppression by the Soviets?

O.W. Beck
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THEATRE
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by D. COHN

* An exhibition of the Jewish Press in the Nineteenth Century was organized for West Germany's Brotherhood Week by the Bonn Association for Christian-Jewish Cooperation in the city's Rhenish Museum last week. Newspapers and periodicals from all parts of Europe were shown.

* Habimah put on Hanna Szenes, and, Auntie Lisa, on its Vienna tour last weekend -- two original Hebrew plays written by Aharon Megged and Nissim Aloni. The Israel National Theater has been invited by the Burgtheater to mark the 31st anniversary of the entry of Hitler into Vienna. The Austrian Ambassador gave a farewell party for the troupe in his Ramat Gan home.

* Tel Aviv University's new Center of Technology will be named after the late Prime Minister Levi Eshkol. The Center will open next October and its first class will graduate in 1974. When completed it will include twelve buildings and will offer graduate courses in applied sciences. An undergraduate School of Technology will be opened there in 1972.

* Rarely have Vienna's theater critics been so effusive in their unanimous praise as over the premiere of Fiddler on the Roof (coming for a second time to Toronto's O'Keefe Center next month). Yossi Yadin seems well set on the path to becoming "the darling" of the Viennese; he was imported from Israel.

Yadin, a complete unknown to the Viennese theater public, made an instant hit. His triumph began when he took his first heavy steps onto the stage, pointed to the Chagallesque fiddler on the roof, and was promptly greeted with a burst of spontaneous applause.

Even for sophisticated Vienna the gala premiere was an unusually glittering affair attended by high officials of the government and leading figures in the worlds of art and business. The performance was under the patronage of the mayor of Vienna.

Thundering applause and the never-ending curtain calls lead one to believe that Fiddler on the Roof is about to supplant the Man of La Mancha as Vienna's favorite and most successful musical.

Most Viennese critics feel somehow ill at ease and even harbor serious reservations about the nature of the musical itself. Is it permissible, they ask awkwardly, to use a musical for poking even gentle fun at a way of life which, through its fatalism, contributed towards the horrors of the Third Reich? Is there still a place on the stage now for so comparatively innocuous a tragedy as the Fiddler?

On the other hand the critics admit that, as Tuvia would put, Anatevka is today anywhere in the world where a minority is ill treated. This thought gives the musical its raison d'etre.

* Ida Kaminska, foremost Yiddish actress who performs in Mirele Efros the weekend of April 4th at Toronto's Royal Alex, says the threatening obsolescence of her native Yiddish is not now a real problem. The real aim of her tour now "is not so much the preservation of the language, or even the preservation of the old atmosphere, as it is the preservation of a special kind of theater that can be important to everyone."

The 69-year-old actress, whose specialty is Yiddish theater, is so busy in America, she can be reached by phone only after ten at night. During the day she is making a new movie with Harry Belafonte and Edward G. Robinson, Angel Levine, based on a short story by Bernard Malamud and directed by Jan Kadar, director of The Shop. It is almost finished.

Her long-range aim is a permanent, full time Yiddish theater in New York. "Who says there is no public for it? I have seen the American public the last time I was here. It is a darling public, a delicious public. But you mustn't fool them. You have to give them good quality. You have to refine their taste, when it has been corrupted with too much junk. You have to help them find the taste that they might have lost."

* "Obscenity can bring a refreshing sense into the language that would be acceptable even in polite society, but it must be used with great care," says Philip Roth.

This note of caution comes from the 36-year-old author of Portnoy's Complaint, considered a best seller. Written in the form of psychoanalytic sessions, the book gives an uninhibited and humorous account of Alexander Portnoy, an archetype for the sophisticated, middle-class Jew struggling to accommodate his sexual explorations to a strict ethical upbringing.

KEEP SMILING

HOW IT'S DONE

An Israeli official campaigning for support asked a foreign delegate which way he was going to vote. The diplomat replied: "I shall make a speech in favor of you and vote against you -- or vice versa!"

ALL SET

A recruit with eight weeks basic training under his belt was ordered to assemble a machine gun. A corporal walked over to him and asked: "How are you doing?" "Fine," said the private. "In fact, I'm already finished. I've even got some parts left over."

TO THE POINT

Asked by a visitor from abroad to what Israel owed its victory, a newspaperman replied: "To both a natural and a supernatural cause: God was the natural cause; the supernatural one was a good army."

KNOWHOW

An Israeli staff officer was queried about strategy and planning. "Our strategy is very simple," he said with a smile. "The difficult we do immediately; the impossible takes a little longer."

YOU NEVER CAN TELL

At headquarters: "The Ministry of Religion is on the phone, sir," reports the adjutant. "Let me have the call," says the Battalion Commander -- and he puts on his hat!

SAFE

It happened during the Six Day War. Two boys were playing in the yard when suddenly it started to rain and there was a lot of thunder. The older boy tried to persuade his brother, age three, to come inside the house. "Can't you hear the thunder?" he warned.

"Don't be afraid," replied the little one, "it's our thunder."

SERMON FOR THE WEEK

THE GREAT SABBATH

Love has been defined as a temporary abrogation of the critical faculties. This is surely an understatement. A permanent rather than temporary lack of objectivity would appear to be the distinctive characteristic of most of the relationships of love which we see around us. The loving parents who can see their offspring for what they are, as opposed to what they would like them to be, are at a premium in our community. Husbands and wives whose opinions of one another would tally with those of an external unbiased observer are rarities. On the whole there is a tendency to see magnified rather than true-to-life pictures and, since love is akin to hate, a reverse process can also be seen at work. Parents are either "wonderful" or "absolutely impossible"; children are either "geniuses" or "bitter disappointments"; marriages are either so happy that never a cross word is heard — at least, so we are led to believe from the typical post-prandial wedding speech — or ripe for the divorce courts. Those whom we love, as the old rhyme might put it, when they are good are very very good and when they are bad are horrid. But Judaism teaches that God loves us and that we must in return love God. Does this relationship also partake of human limitation?

Superficially, alas, yes, God is too often both loved and believed to love partially. He is loved as the promoter of our personal success and believed to love as some excessively doting father. Alternately He is hated and denied because of suffering either experienced or witnessed. Who has never met the businessman whose love of God is directly related to his profits graph, or heard the question "How can God love us if such and such can happen"? In both cases man has imposed on a potentially sublime relationship defective human categories which produce a caricature of truth.

In truth God loves us. Even a good mortal father loves not less because his son fails his G.C.E. How then can we expect the love of our Heavenly Father to be linked in any way to earthly success, however pleasant, or earthly failure, however bitter. Even a good mortal son loves his father irrespective of the material or spiritual benefits which the latter may or may not be capable of conferring upon him. Shall we expect God to love us less than good fathers their sons or love Him ourselves less than good sons their fathers?

One of the tasks allocated to Elijah, the harbinger of the Messiah, in the prophetical reading for the Great Sabbath is that of "turning the heart of the fathers to the children and the heart of the children to their fathers". Our ancestors were keenly aware that without an authentic dialogue of love between fathers and sons God's purpose for the world could not ultimately be accomplished. In rabbinic literature the idea is further developed — the immediately pre-Messianic age is envisaged as a time of complete breakdown in interpersonal family relationships. Perhaps rabbis instinctively realised that unless these relationships were authentic, religion was that much the poorer and the Messiah that much farther from coming.

Passover is essentially a family Festival, a time when sons turn to fathers and fathers to sons. It should also be an occasion for pondering on all our relationships of love. How much of the Divine Truth is reflected therein? To what extent are we ourselves preparing the world for the coming of the Messiah?

MOSHE RON

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gates) voted for Golda Meir and only 14 percent (a part of the former Rafi members) abstained without putting forward a counter-candidate.

The fact that Yigal Allon proposed Golda Meir for the premiership put Moshe Dayan in a difficult situation. He was sure Allon would be a candidate thus he would be counter-candidate. The second fact, that the former Ahdut Ha'avoda members supported Golda Meir, proved that she was considered the only suitable person who has the confidence of the vast majority in the Party and was able to maintain the unity of the Party and the Government. Therefore the former Rafi members declared in the meeting of the Central Committee that they support the candidature of Moshe Dayan for premier but refrain from proposing it under present circumstances.

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It is hoped that the new Government under the leadership of Golda Meir will be a strong one and that its members will work together harmoniously. Golda knows how to treat and deal with people, friends and opponents alike. She hopes that the press gives her a chance. Up to now the Israeli press has given her full credit and it stresses her merits for the State of Israel and the Jewish people.

LIVELY ARTS

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infiltrated by west Germany, that the security of Poland and the whole of Europe was threatened, and that the invasion was therefore necessary - is still accepted by most Poles.

Counter-arguments - that the Czechoslovak Party had never been in better control, that during 1968 Czechoslovak production rose and crime decreased, and that the invading armies found no evidence of west German infiltration - are met by the habitual sad shake of the head. "You see, we just couldn't afford to let Czechoslovakia go", one leading journalist told me, and he was genuinely surprised when I told him he sounded like an old British imperialist talking about Cyprus or India.

Poland's rulers are anxious to put behind them the year 1968, with its riots, its anti-Zionism, its invasion and its internal struggle for power. Economic reform was the key to the discussions at the November Congress, and clearly it is economic reform, not cultural or political reform, which is seen as the key to progress.

A member of the seven-man party secretariat spoke to me enthusiastically about future plans to shorten the cycle of industrial investment, to step up the production of consumer goods, to rationalize industry by permitting direct inter-factory link-ups. There is to be a blitz on car production, and a special effort will be made to produce a light agricultural transport which is still powered mainly by the horse. Convertibility of the zloty is another aim seen as essential to the expansion of Comecon, and I was told that convertibility within the socialist block may be achieved "in a couple of years".

IMPORTANT ISSUES

Clearly it is issues like these that Gomulka considers important. He believes in doing first things first: consol ting Poland's frontiers and her very existence as a separate state, building up her agriculture and industry. He is impatient with those who feel that Poland does not live by bread alone, who press for political reform and cultural freedom when in his view - Poland cannot afford such luxuries.

Last year Gomulka was one of the keenest supporters of armed intervention in Czechoslovakia, and there are many who feel that he owes his political survival to his support of the Russians, and to the Russians' subsequent support of him. There was no reluctance here, but there was on the other political issues of 1968. He was forced to defend himself, his government and his policies by going part of the way along with his opponents, by lending his name to what became in practice an attack on Poland's Jews and on Poland's intellectuals.

"You walk through salons in patent leather shoes," he told a group of writers last year, "while I have to plough my way through the mud of politics. You then come to me and complain that my boots are dirty?" He will not put up with their impractical idealism. In the face of such patent honesty and unshakeable conviction they can do no more than shake their heads very sadly from side to side.

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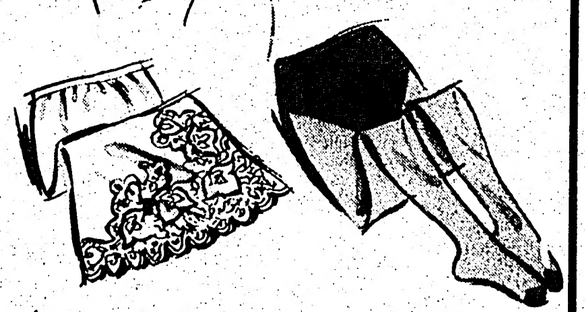

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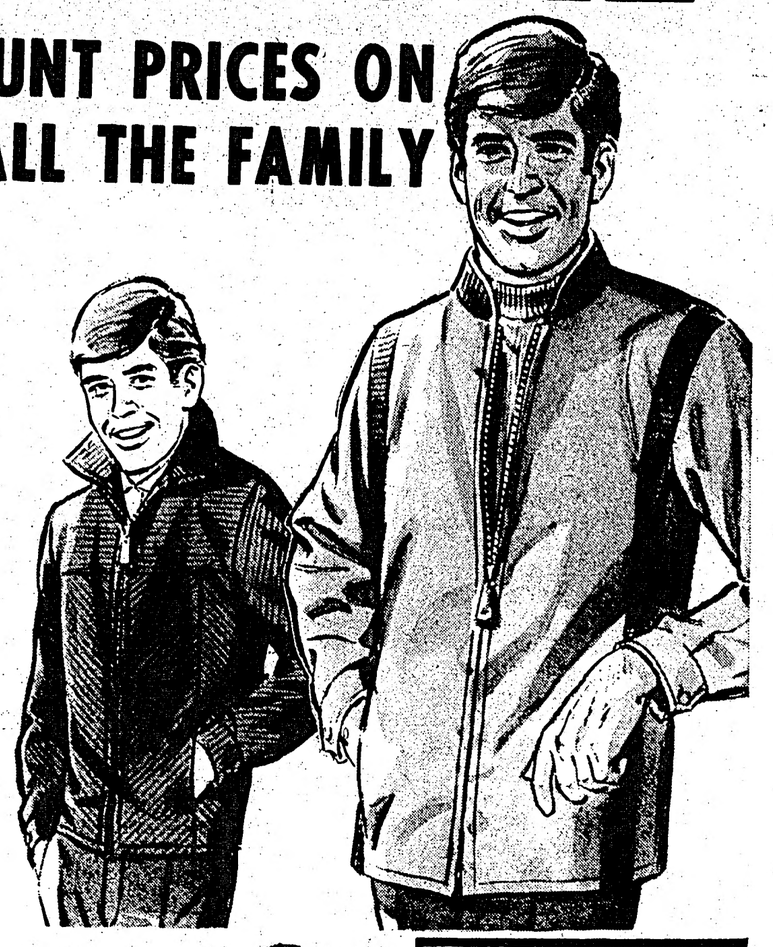

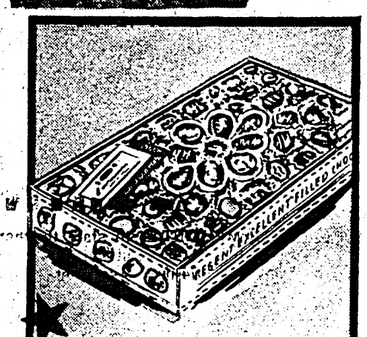

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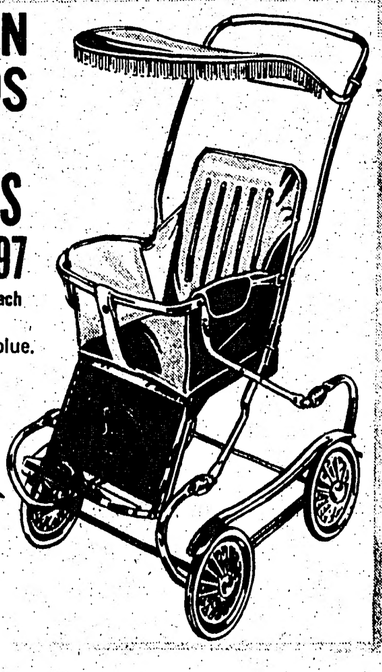

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PRIZEWINNING MUSICAL

Man of La Mancha, one of the most praised Broadway musicals of recent years, returns to O'Keefe Center this coming Tuesday for five days. The production stars David Atkinson in the dual roles of Cervantes-Don Quixote and Patricia Marand as Aldonza.

The story of Don Quixote, Defender of the Right, has become legend. In the musical version, Don Quixote sallies forth into the world like a true knight errant, prepared to defend the oppressed and undo wrongs. His maiden is a harlot whom he dubs Dulcinea. When informed that knighthood has been dead for 300 years and "that is a fact," he replies, "Facts are enemies of truth."

YIDDISH PLAY

Ida Kaminska, performing for years in Mirele Efros, appears in the same play next Friday through Sundat at the Royal Alexandra Theater. Mirele Efros has been a part of her repertoire almost all her life. At first she played the grandchild to her mother's leading role; then the 69-year-old actress played the role of the daughter-in-law. After her mother's death she assumed the lead.

Mirele Efros was produced in Poland every years in observance of her mother's death. Her mother was Esther Rivka, one of the greatest of the Yiddish Theater.

When Ida Kaminska's mother did the play in New York in 1904, it was an immediate hit. When Ida repeated it years later, it received the same acclaim. Toronto will be no different.

MUSICAL REVUE.-Doug Chamberlain, Jerelyn Homer and Billy Van in IF I WOULD I COULD at Toronto's Theatre-in-the-Dell.

THE FOUR VOICES

The Arbaah Kolot (the four voices), a singing group making its mark at concerts in the States, will appear in two performances next Sunday, April 6th, 2:00 p.m. and 8:30 p.m., at Toronto's Beth Sholom Synagogue.

The group calls its sound Jewish Soul Music. It is directed by David Koffman of Erie, Pa., a student at New York's Jewish Theological Seminary. Ron Isaacs is from Toronto and Mary Rosen from Detroit, both also students at the Seminary. The three formed a group in 1967. Later two more members were added: Helena Moche, a soprano born in Iraq and raised in Japan; Tony Wolff who also plays guitar.

TV STAR "LIVE" HERE
Edd Byrnes, a living room standard as Kookie in 77 Sunset Strip, who is featured as Dave Manning in Under the Yum Yum Tree, commencing at Toronto's Royal Alexandra Theater, Tuesday, April 8th, through Saturday, April 19th.

GUEST ARTISTS WILL DANCE HERE.-Patricia McBride and Edward Villella, principal dancers with the New York City Ballet, who are appearing in Toronto through tomorrow as guest artists with the National Ballet of Canada during its Spring Season at O'Keefe Center.

CAST

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VETERAN ENTERTAINER

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The distinguished Israeli artist Iosef Ijaky has come especially from Israel to do the set designing.

Hugo Romero, choreographer of the Canadian Modern Ballet will do the choreography and Montreal's well-known Nat Raider will be the conductor.

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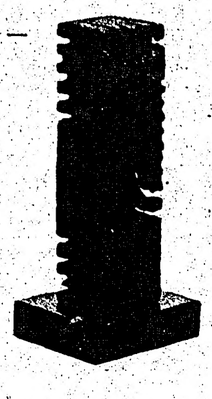

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Registration for Camp Moshava has begun and from all vantage points it seems that once again it will be a matter of first come, first served.

Camp Moshava is sponsored by Mizrachi Hapoel Hamizrachi of Canada and its youth affiliate, Bnei Akiva. One of the unique features of Camp Moshava is that, although it is a recreational camp with the most modern facilities and equipment to carry out a full and most satisfactory program, it is able to achieve a definite ideological and educational goal. Its repeated success in carrying out this type of program has been: a camp properly operated, equipped and staffed can provide a stimulating spiritual and educational experience for a child without sacrificing its essentially recreational character.

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ATOMS FOR PEACE

Tel Aviv (JCNS).- Professor Edward Teller, the American atomic physicist, during his recent visit here suggested to the Israeli Deputy Minister of Development, Mr. Yehuda Sha'ari and Israeli mining experts, the use of small atomic explosions for mining purposes.

man in the news

SPORTSMAN CHARLES BRONFMAN

Charles R. Bronfman whose initiative and perseverance helped to bring major league baseball to Montreal and to Canada for the first time, has been chosen "Sportsman of the Year" in the annual selection conducted by the Montreal Sports Lodge of the B'nai B'rith, it was announced last weekend.

A testimonial dinner in his honor will be given May 12, at Montreal's Hotel Bonaventure with proceeds going to the various charitable projects of B'nai B'rith. Last year's recipient was J. Louis Levesque for his contribution to horse racing.

In the dark days of last August when it appeared the National League franchise awarded to Montreal would be lost, it was Mr. Bronfman who helped to save the historic venture. Since that time, he has been conspicuously active as chairman of the newly-launched Montreal Expos who are now in training in Florida preparing for their baptism of fire at Shea Stadium against the NY Mets on April 8, and then the long-awaited opener at Jarry Park on April 14 against the league champion St. Louis Cardinals. He is in daily contact with club officials at the West Palm Beach training base and recently spent nine days there.

"While Mr. Bronfman's role and exploits in the current baseball venture are well known, we also took into consideration his contribution as a true sportsman in other fields of athletic endeavour", stated Sports Lodge President Joe Levi.

Among these would be his role in the Canadian Open Golf Championship, the fifth highest ranking tournament in the world, in which he has been personally active as a sponsor and enthusiast for many years. The House of Seagram of which he is President has co-sponsored the National Championship with the Royal Canadian Golf Association since 1936.

Only last week Mr. Bronfman was named to the national advisory council on fitness and amateur sport in Canada by Health Minister John Munro.

"I have been fortunate through the years to have many pleasant experiences," admitted Mr. Bronfman, "but being named a recipient of this 'Sportsman of the Year' award represents a very personal thing with me and I am indeed grateful and truly moved," he added.

Born in Montreal 37 years ago and the son of Samuel and Saidye Bronfman, Charles is also prominent in business and community activities. In addition to being president of The House of Seagram Ltd., he is president of Cemp Investments, vice-president and director of Distillers Corporation-Seagrams Ltd., chairman and director of Supersol Ltd., Israel, and a director of Canadian Pacific Airlines, The Bank of Montreal and Gramercy Holdings Ltd. He is also a vice-president of Allied Jewish Community Services of Montreal, life governor of the Jewish General Hospital, and governor of Montreal YM-YWHA.

Educated at Selwyn House School, Trinity College and McGill University, Charles is married to the former Barbara Baerwald and they have one sone and one daughter.

TRIBUTE SCROLL PRESENTED.-The annual dinner of the Montreal Chapter of the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University, held recently at the Congregation Shaar Hashomayim and chaired by Edward Bronfman, Montreal Chapter President, was dedicated to the memory of the late Hon. Ivan C. Rand. Robert N. Rand, son of the late renowned jurist, legislator and humanitarian, was presented with a scroll in tribute to his father. Later he will represent the family in Jerusalem at special ceremonies to mark the dedication of the Ivan C. Rand Chair in Law, as well as the posthumous conferment of the University's title of, Honorary Fellow.

Guest speaker Mr. Justice Samuel Freedman, national chairman of the Rand Chair Committee, paid warm tribute to the late Mr. Rand's relentless dedication and tireless search for justice and fair play in the interests of humanity.

From left to right: Allan Bronfman; Mr. Justice Samuel Freedman; Robert N. Rand; Edward Bronfman.

MONTREAL NOTES

BOOK REVIEW

Temple Emanu-El held a book review Wednesday afternoon. Dean Stanley B. Frost discussed: The Revolution of Hope, by Eric Fromm.

BAZAAR

Sisterhood of Congregation Shaar Shalom held a bazaar all day Tuesday.

FUN FAIR

Mount Sinai Chapter, B'nai B'rith Women, held a fun fair recently.

NEARLY NEW

Pioneer Women's Organization recently held a nearly new sale.

AWARD

Film star Tony Curtis will receive the 1969 Eleanor Roosevelt Humanities Award from the Israel Bonds Organization, Sunday, April 20th, at a dinner at Congregation Shaar Hashomayim. Previous winners include the late Albert Einstein, former U.S. Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey, the late statesman and financier Bernard Baruch, actor Edward G. Robinson.

TESTIMONIAL

Sam Farbstein will be tendered a testimonial dinner this Sunday by Congregation Zichron Kedoshim in conjunction with Montreal Israel Bonds Organization. Mark Thatcher will be guest entertainer. Abraham Gurman is chairman of the dinner; Ben Plotnick is president of the congregation.

GUEST SPEAKER

U.S. Army General S.L.A. Marshall will be guest speaker at a dinner honoring William B. Cohen on the occasion of his 81st birthday. The dinner is being sponsored by the Chevra Kadisha-B'nai Jacob Congregation of which he is honorary president in conjunction with the Montreal Israel Bonds Organization.

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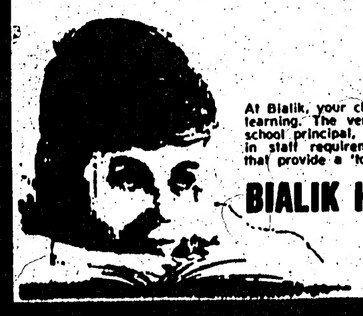

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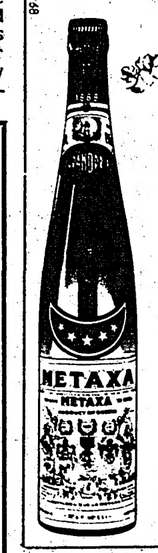

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HARRISON, SONIA. On March 23rd, late of 650 Eglinton Avenue West.
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KLAP, SIMON. On March 21st, late of 4222 Bathurst Street.
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ABRAMOVITCH, SARAH. On March 16th, late of Montreal.
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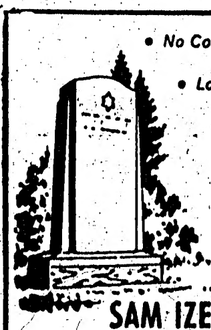
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by Sonia Goldrein

TEL AVIV, ISRAEL'S LARGEST, all-Jewish town, is the most maligned.

"It is not Israel," a visitor will be told or, "Do not judge us by Tel Aviv," while Jerusalemites will talk disparagingly of their nervous, restless, Tel Aviv brethren.

Because it is on the western seaboard where in summer the climate is hot and at times oppressive Tel Avivians live out of doors; extroverts, who openly declare their enjoyment of life. The pace, despite the climate, is fast. The traffic is dense and everyone seems constantly to be rushing somewhere.

Tel Aviv is new by Israel standards. Nearly 60 years old, Tel Aviv has mushroomed into a population of nearly half a million people. It developed rather like the beginning of the world, "Tohu va Bohu," without form or shape.

The early nucleus can still be seen at the south end of the town, from nowhere better than from the top of Migdal Shalom Meir. This tall block, the tallest building between Milan and Tokyo, arose from the ashes of the old Herzlia secondary school building, a school renowned for the scholarship it offered and the distinguished pupils it produced.

From the summit of this block one can distinguish the original houses of the Neve Zedek district by their red tiled roofs and their individual character. The more recent development is less distinctive; off-white blocks of flats spreading north to and beyond the Yarkon River.

Jerusalem is Israel's spiritual centre, Haifa the pearl in the setting, but Tel Aviv for all its apparent brashness is the cultural capital and should not be lightly dismissed.

I recommend that to "do" Israel thoroughly one should "do" Tel Aviv.

JAFFA'S ARTIST COLONY

At the north end of Tel Aviv's beach are the luxury hotels, at the extreme south the defunct port of Jaffa. Jaffa has been renovated and now is a charming artists' colony. Along the narrow quaint lanes are small bazaars and night clubs.

The fame of the Mann Auditorium and the Habimah Theatre are legion but what is not generally known is that close by are beautiful gardens which at night are most attractively lit. Fountains play to advantage and there are walks at different levels. The whole was planned to resemble that wonder of the ancient world, The Hanging Gardens of Babylon.

All roads lead to Dizengoff Circle, the nerve centre of Tel Aviv's night life but challenging this there is now Malchei Israel Square, a well-planned oblong. The centre has gardens with walks and chairs for resting and at one end the new Municipal Building dominates the sky-line.

HISTORY AND CUSTOMS

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The whole is so real and life-like that when I accidentally bumped into a Chasid and apologised I was amused to find it was only a was model -- very reminiscent of a similar mistake made all too frequently at Mme Tussaud's.

Close to this museum and no longer in embryonic form, a large university campus is developing with buildings growing apace. When completed it will challenge in extent the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. No longer can it be declared without reservation that "From out of Zion shall go forth the law," unless Zion is extended to include all houses of advanced learning in Israel and especially the University of Tel Aviv.

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MEETING

Menorah Chapter, Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi, held a meeting recently at the home of Mrs. N. Shore. Mrs. F. Silverberg presided. Mrs. M. Weisbrod reported about the tea held at the home of Mrs. C. Wener. Mrs. L. Cepler won the door prize.

HELD TEA

Beth Am Sisterhood sponsored a tea and fashion show last Sunday. Refreshments were served.

PATRONESSES

The following ladies were patronesses at the recently held tea sponsored by Ner Israel Yeshiva's Women's Auxiliary: Mesdames M. Zolty, M. Feldman, B. Goldberger, F. Mandell, Julie Cohen, R. Gustadt.

PRESENTED PAINTINGS

At the meeting in March of the Hebrew Weston Charitable Services, held at the Jewish Public Library, the organization presented two oil paintings, accepted on behalf of the library by Ralph Schiff, 1st vice president. Speakers included Dr. Israel Frankel and Nathan Garnick, chairman of public relations of the Library.

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The Boy and the Car

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Our son attends a special high school, and we are very proud of him. He will attend a city college in the fall.

At 14, his father taught him to drive. (We have a coffee shop with a tremendous parking lot.) He got his junior license at 16.

He worked for my husband for two summers as well as opening up for him on Saturdays. For this he was paid. He also has worked as a bus-boy in a catering establishment. He has quite a bit of savings. He also invested wisely in the stock market.

At graduating time, he wants to buy a new sports car for which he has most of the money.

I have no objections. It is his money and he earned it. My husband disagrees. My son is nervous and depressed. He talk about nothing but the car, car, car.

ANSWER: As of today a man's last toy is his car. Driving has emotional overtones. When a man drives, he is in complete control. The people in the car with him are subject to his decisions and must depend on him for security and safety.

For the younger person a car represents a new freedom. Entering college at this time, a car is also like a security blanket or a status symbol. If he has not had too much of a social life, he feels that girls will be more accepting of dates with him when they can travel in his car.

When a parent allows the youngster to use the family car but objects strenuously to his having his own car, he sees it as inconsistent behavior.

He has worked for what he now wants and is not making any untoward demands on the family. Perhaps your husband reasons that at your son's age it is irresponsible to spend all of his earnings on a car, and that he should put the money away for some future use, such as taking on more and more responsibility for his own support and education.

Your son seems like a youngster who lives up to the values you have taught him and acts with responsibility in all areas, at school, at home, and at work.

The sense of accomplishment he got from doing so well at work and in the stock market, and from building up a nice bank account by the age of seventeen must give him great gratification. But now instead of being rewarded for his high achievements, he is being restricted and denied respect for his wishes.

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YOUR SON'S DEPRESSED MOODS ARE CAUSED BY THE hostility toward his parents, which he turns in upon himself. He sees this as a lack of trust in him, despite his past record of being reliable and hard-working. Coming at a time when he is leaving high school and going on to a new life at college, it shakes his confidence in himself and makes him anxious and apprehensive about his ability to establish himself there as a student and as a person.

If there are practical and realistic reasons for your husband's position, they should be fully discussed with your son. He should not be left with the feeling that he is being deprived or punished unjustly by his father. The basis of any decision must be the boy's splendid record of responsibility and competence. A sure way to make a youngster rebel in an unhealthy fashion is to deny him what his deserves, and then for the wrong reasons.

MATRIARCH FROM HEAD TO TOE.-Ida Kaminska, exponent of Yiddish Theater, who brings Mirele Efros to Toronto next weekend—Friday, Saturday, Sunday, April 4th, 5th, 6th—at the Royal Alexandra Theater.

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by Ruthie

For a long time now I've been toying around with the idea of doing myself over, giving myself a new look. For one thing, it's a little tiresome looking the same way day in, day out.

Nu, I figured, I can't change my face no matter how I'd like to. So the next logical thing is a new hairdo.

So what'll it be?

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Did you see the latest hair fashion? It brought me back to before the children were born. Wonderful, I thought, the minute I saw that pageboy.

I wore that haircomb for years. It was so easy to keep. Straight on top, no perms, no anything. Just a long sausage roll.

I used to set my hair with rollers turned under. And to get that dent-effect, I'd clip bobbie pins all around the line. When I combed it out, I brushed the sides up, stuck a pin in to hold it and got the effect of a halo in reverse. And shoin (that's that).

When it got a little messy, I wore a colored snood.

Now the same style's back. I became excited. Can you imagine the time I'd save not going to the hairdresser's?

But I didn't figure on one thing: my lovely children.

"Mommy," they exclaimed in unison, as if I were about to do something terrible, "at your age! You're too old for that style." (Aren't they delicate?)

"What do you mean, too old! I'll have you know I wore my hair like that long before you were born."

"Sure. But that was in the olden days. Bet you didn't creak then. And your face was smoother."

From the mouths of babes! But it set me thinking. And the first thought was, I'd have to go through that hair-growing-long phase. No, bless their little black hearts, the pageboy wasn't for me. So what then?

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Mama never had trouble deciding how to wear her hair. I remember she was among the first to bob hers.

Papa loved long hair. And when she told him what she was contemplating, he firmly put his foot down and yelled, "No!" Gosh, to listen to him, you'd think she was going to commit something serious.

So his "no" was "no" -- until that night when he came home and found a new Mama. She didn't say one word, just stood there and waited.

Well, you know what? Papa loved it. Nu, love's blind. Because how do you think she looked? For one thing, her face was moonier than ever -- like a nice, big, round moon. And no style, just a short clip all around. So she cared? Her main concern was she should be cool around the neck.

And the way she managed her hair she tackled us. Once a month she got us on the barber's chair. He never even bothered to look at our features for style. A couple of snips, and fartig (finished). We looked as though he guided himself with a pot over our heads.

Mama was the critic. She always found one side shorter than the other. And the poor guy had to even up the sides. Nu, thanks to our howls of protest, we kept ourselves from being bald.

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Those tahka (really) were the days. Thank goodness styles change.

But do they really? Your hair is either long or short. How else can you wear it?

My hair's short. So how much could I do with it? My hairdresser suggested a few wisps on my forehead and, instead of wearing it brushed back on the sides, he would give me "payess".

Nu, who am I to contradict him? He's really an artist -- one of the best in the profession. So I put my life into his hands.

But until I gave him the green light, I spent weeks worrying how I'd look. Would it be becoming? Heck, I could always go back to the old style. So I gulped and took the plunge. And I felt so good afterwards.

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I got home and waited for the verdict. Nobody said anything. I was ready to plotz (burst).

"Are you kids blind? Don't you notice anything?"

"What?"

"I had my hair done."

"So don't you always?"

"Can't you see anything different?" Silence. "I have bangs!"

"Oh! You can't even tell. You look the same."

That's all I had to hear. And here I thought my new head would set the world on fire.

But being an optimist, I figured it's all for the best. At least my family could take any change in me in stride.

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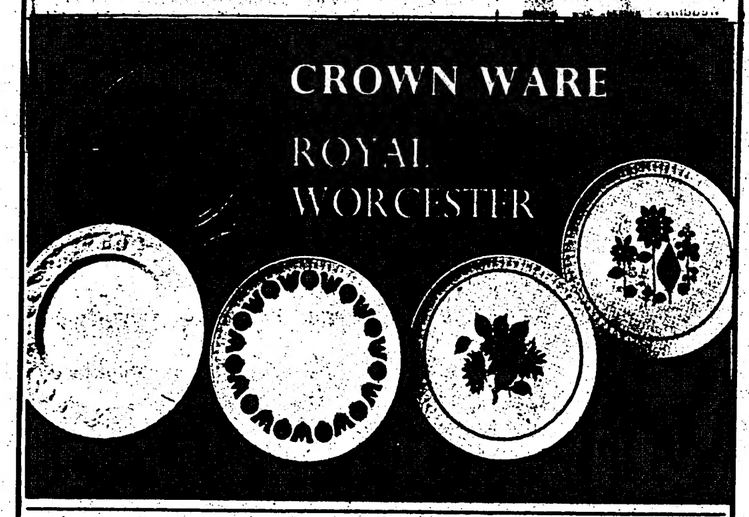

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